JOHN ROBBINS SHOT FROM AMBUSH.

He Killed Leonard Henderson.

CORONER IS

August 16-Robbins's House Burned After the Henderson Killing.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Mountain View, Mo., Aug. 14.-John Robbins, who lived seven miles south of here, was shot from ambush this morning about gunrise and instantly killed.

On June 2 Robbins shot and killed Leonard Henderson, but claimed he did it in self-defense. Since then Robbins's residence, one of the finest farmhouses in this vicinity, was burned to the ground, but Robbins was away from home at the time. Since the burning of his house he had been staving with his son a short distance from his old home. He was on his way to the barn to feed his stock when the fatal shot was fired, and he gave up his life not twenty rods from where he killed Hender-

The assassin was concealed in a corner of the fence where Robbins had left off cutting sprouts the evening before, and evidently expected his victim to return there to work. He had broken bushes and sprouts and placed them between the rails of the fence to screen himself, and, as Robbins approached to within fifty yards of him, fired, the ball striking him in the left breast and passing through him, coming out about three inches to the left of the spinal column. He walked about twenpaces and fell.

An empty Winchester cartridge shell was picked up in the corner of the fence where the murderer had lain.

Robbins's family heard the shot and heard him shout, and his young son and

heard him shout, and his young con and his brother's daughter ran to him, but as they had to run nearly eighty rods, he was dead when they reached nim.

Coroner Scanlan of Willow Springs was sent for, and impaneled a jury, which heard the evidence of the witnesses present and adjourned to meet on the 16th. Robbins will be buried to meet on the 18th. Robbins will be buried to morrow.

Henderson, whom Robbins killed, has a father and three brothers living in the neighborhood. One of them is a son-in-law of Robbins. There have been no arrests.

WILL NOT AID M'KINLEY.

Former Speaker Reed Prefers to Remain Quiet.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Portland, Me., Aug. 14.-Chairman Joseph H. Manley, Having received from Thomas B. Reed no response to the Republican State Committee's invitation for him to join the army of Republican spellbinders in Maine, the two committeemen representing Mr. Reed's old district were delegated to have a personal interview with him on the Charles M. Moses of Saco, one of the

committeemen, visited Mr. Reed's cottage at Grand Beach and had a long interview with him. Mr. Reed informed Mr. Moses that he was enjoying his outling altogether too well to exchange it for a wearlsome jaunt over Maine railroads and turnpikes, that he is taking a rest from politics and has no idea of getting into the thick of a campaign in which he has nothing at stake. The committee has given up trying to induce Mr. Reed to stump the State for Mc-Kinley and has made public a list of speakers and assignments for the campaign which does not include the name of the former Speaker of the House of Represen-

SAVES HER LIFE BY FAINTING.

Fortunate Moment of Unconscious ness Prevents Drowning.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New Haven, Aug. 14.-A fainting fit has saved a woman from drowning. Mrs. George Taylor of Congress avenue owes her life to the fact that she became unconscious and floated on the water, thus escaping drown-

ing.

Mrs. Taylor weighs nearly 170 pounds, and her husband and Christopher Smith, with whom she went sailing this afternoon, are both big men, and when they tried to change seats in their frail rowboat off Mornage seats in the frail rowbo ris Cove Smith turned a back somersault

Taylor and his wife were picked up by E. W. Overton, in another rowboat, and to the rescuer's surprise and delight he found that Mrs. Taylor was alive.

They restored her to consciousness and began a search for Smith. At a late hour to-night he had not been recovered. He was about 80 years old and was unmarried.

ANCIENT TABLETS RECOVERED. Professor Hilvprect's Researches Go Back to 2280 B. C.

London, Aug. 15.-Mail advices to the Daily News from Constantinople, dated August 8, announce the arrival there of Professor H. V. Hilvprect, president of the Nippur, after having discovered the library of the great temple with over 17,000 tablets dealing with historical and literary mat-ters, not one of them of later date than 250 B. C.

"The unexplored rooms of the library."
says the correspondent, "will require five
years for excavation. If those parts prove
as rich in results as the portion already
found, there will be no example in the
world's history, not even in Egypt, of so
complete a recovery of the records of ancient civilization."

ROUMANIA'S KING IN DANGER.

Society Women in the Plot to Kill the Sovereign.

London, Aug. 15 .- "The real reason for the strained relations between Roumania and Bulgaria," says a special dispatch from Vienna, "is the recent discovery of a plot Vienna, "is the recent discovery of a plot laid by the Revolutionary Committee in Sofia to assassinate King Charles of Roumania while attending the requiem for King Humbert at Bucharest.

"The police got wind of the plot and warned King Charles, who did not attend the service. Two women, well known in Roumanian society, and a number of Bulgarians have been arrested in Bucharest. Notwithstanding this, the Bulgarian Government declined to interfere with the Revolutionary Committee."

AGED WOMAN KILLED.

Stray Bullet From a Negro's Pistol Entered Her Head.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 14.-Mrs. Sarah Sigman, 62 years old, was shot and instantly killed on Troost avenue to-night by Minnie Claridy, a negro.

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The Claridy woman had quarreled with Will Rogers, a negro, and was chasing him down the street. She fired five shots at him, as he was passing the residence of Mrs. Sigman. The latter was sitting near a second-story window and one of the bullets struck her in the left temple.

Populist Notification to Bryan. Topeka, Kas., Aug. 14.—The Populist notification to Mr. Bryan of his nomination
for the presidency will take place on the east
steps of the Statehouse at a late hour on
the afternoon of Thursday, August 23. The
Populist and Democratic committees and the
Commercial Club are working together to
make the event a notable one,

BRITISH PRESSING DE WET'S COLUMN.

Assassinated Near the Spot Where Methuen Gets Close Enough to Shell the Main Boer Convoy.

INVESTIGATING. KRUGER ASKED AN ASYLUM. HAPPENED NEAR CREVE COEUR. HE SAID HE'D KEEP TRYING. POLICE HAVE NO INFORMATION.

Expected to Return a Verdict on Wanted to Take Refuge in American Consulate at Lorenzo Marquez if Forced to Leave Transvaal.

> London, Aug. 14.-Lord Roberts reports to the War Office under date of Pretoria, Au-

gust 13, as follows: "Kitchener reports from Schoolplaats, eight miles east of Ventersdorp, that De Wet blew up three of his wagons. Six British prisoners who escaped from De Wet's camp state that Mr. Steyn is confined in the camp under surveillance, and that De Wet was forced to abandon his ammunition and thirty horses. They also confirm the report that Methuen captured one of De Wet's guns and shelled the main onvoy effectively. Ian Hamilton telegraphs that he hopes to be at Blaauwbank to-day with his main body. Mahon's mounted troops are pushing on to the westward." Another report from Lord Roberts of the

same date says: "Methuen and Kitchener, still following De Wet and Steyn, yesterday reached Nod-derfontein, ten miles east of Ventersdorp. Methuen is in touch with De Wet's rear guard.

"Smith-Dorien reports that the Shropshires recently marched forty-three miles in thirty-two hours, and the city of London Imperial Volunteers thirty miles in ten hours, hoping to prevent De Wet from crossing the Krugersdorp-Potchefstroom Rallway.

"Buller's occupation of Ermelo is having a good effect. "A field cornet and burghers of the Standerton commando surrendered yesterday to Clery."

KRUGER WANTED A REFUGE. London, Aug. 14.-President Kruger at one time made a formal application to the United States to grant him a refuge in case the necessity for it arose. This occurred, according to Secretary Peltz of the Transvaal Republic, the day Lord Roberts entered Pretoria. The details of the event have been related to a representative of the Associated Press by W. F. Unger, who has just returned from the Transvaal, and who secured the information from Secretary Reitz and others.

After quoting the Secretary as saying President Kruger would never take to the mountains, on account of his age, but would retreat down the line, finally escaping to Portuguese territory Mr. Unger said that the day the British entered Pretoria President Kruger sent for Mr. W. Stanley Hol-lis, the United States Consul at Lorenzo Marquez, and Mr. Hollis was taken to Machadodorp in a special car. President Kruger asked him if his Government would grant him (President Kruger) an asylum in the Lorenzo Marquez consulate until he, Mr. Kruger, made other arrangements for his departure. President Kruger expressed fears concerning his treatment by the Port uguese Government and wished to guard against any possible British land parties. Mr. Hollis asked for time to consult with his Government, and President Kruger as sured him he would receive a week's notice before putting the plan into execution. In consequence of this visit to the Transvaal and the transmission of President Kruger's request to Washington, Mr. Hollis received instructions from Secretary Hay not to leave Portuguese territory again. He was thus compelled to neglect the interests of the British prisoners at Nooit Gedacht, where there was great suffering. Mr. Unger, in conclusion, said:

"I make this explanation in justice to Mr Hollis, whose action has been misunderstood both in America and Great Britain." Mr. Unger did not know whether the State Department eventually gave a specific an swer to President Kruger's request.

THIRTY THOUSAND LEPERS.

They Are Scattered Over Philip pines-Bubonic Plague's Course.

Washington, Aug. 14.-Surgeon General Sternberg has received a report from Major Guy L. Eddy, president of the Board of Health in Manila. This board has the supervision of every thing relating to the health of the city of Manila, and also has charge of the charitable institutions, the registry of births, deaths and marriages. registry of births, deaths and marriages,
The report says that by a rigid system of inspection and vaccination, smallpox has been kept from spreading seriously.
The Board of Health is considering a plan to segregate all the lepers on one island, where hospitals and other suitable buildings can be erected for their care. The report states that leprosy was introduced into the Philippines in 1833, when the Emperor of Japan sent 150 lepers to the Island. Since then the number has increased until the estimate is that there are 30,000 lepers in the archipelago, largely in the Visayas. In a recent inspection of Manila 100 lepers were found concealed in various houses, while many others escaped to the country. Discussing the bubonic plague cases, the report states that several cases were diagnosed as typhoid fever, but when it was found that they were actually cases of plague, measures were taken to eradicate the disease by a house-to-house canvass. plague, measures were taken to eradicate the disease by a house-to-house canvass. There were employed 100 inspectors, mostly Filipino medical students, whose good work in this direction is commended. The board was also assisted by the Chinese Consul and Chinese merchants. There is a disposition among many of the ignorant classes to conceal all cases of serious disease.

SINKING OF THE FRAMEE.

French Officers Give a New Account of the Accident.

Toulon, France, Aug. 14.-Officers of th French first-class battleship Brennus, flagship of Vice Admiral Founier, which sank the torpedo-boat destroyer Framee Saturday night, during the maneuvers of the French fleet off Cape St. Vincent, arrived

here to-day. They gave a new version of the circumstances in which the destroyer was lost. According to their account, the Frames approached the Brennus at a speed of sixter knots to receive an order for the cruiser knots to receive an order for the cruiser Foudre. Seeing that he had gone too near, the Captain of the Framee told the helmsman to steer to the left, but his order was misunderstood. The Framee was not cut in twain, but was thrown on her side. Captain Mauduit de Piessix clung to the capsized vessel and refused with great energy the help of the Quartermaster of the Brennus, who came to his assistance in a boat. He cried out "Courage, my men. Try to save yourselves. Adleu!"

The Framee sank in three minutes. The night was clear and the sea calm.

MRS. O'DAY NOW AT ST. JOHN'S

It Is Expected That She Will Regain Her Normal Health.

Mrs. John O'Day, who attempted to commit suicide at the Lindell Hotel several days ago, was removed yesterday to St. John's Hospital.

Mrs. O'Day, according to Doctor Hulbert, who has been attending her, is now convalescent, and will be practically well in a few weeks. She was removed to the hospital for medical accommodations, which

Cheap Rates to Michigan. Take Illinois Central Through Car Line to Michigan points. Quickest and best line. Leaves 12:30 noon.

SAVED HER FROM A MANIAC'S FURY.

Miss Mitchell From Woman Who Chased Her With an Ax.

Overpowered Miss Mitchell's Pursuer and Took Her to the Clayton Jail.

Constable Nie Schumacher of Manchester, St. Louis County, yesterday saved Miss Elsie Mitchell of Creve Coeur from the mad fury of a crazy woman, who was pursuing her with an axe, all the time threatening to brain her.

Constable Schumacher was driving along the road about two miles east of the lake. on the lookout for a negro who committed a murder at Ellisville last Saturday night when he heard a weman's screams for help. He whipped up his horse, going in the direction from whence the sound came. After driving for about three minutes he met Miss Mitchell running down the road, clad only in a loose house wrapper, bareheaded her hair disheveled, and with a woman maniac in close pursuit, brandishing an ax and declaring that she would brain her. The insane woman proved to be Eliza Douglass, a neighbor of Miss Mitchell's. Leaping over the dashboard of his buggy Schumacher seized the mad woman. the fury of a demon she turned on him and declared that he should be the victim. Then began a struggle that lasted for

Schumacher is a strong man, but it seemed that the woman was possessed of almost superhumar, strength. She was finally everpowered and Schumacher placed her it his buggy and drove to Clayton, where she was delivered to the jallor for safekeeping. She was locked in a cell last night and watched to pre-

nearly five minutes.

in a cell last night and watched to prevent her doing violence to herself.

Miss Douglass is 39 years old Schumacher said that the people at Creve Coeur told him she was addicted to nervous speils and sometimes became so violent that she was extremely dangerous. She has been in the City Hospital in St. Louis several times, and always gave the attendants trouble in subduing her. Her parents thought that the extreme heat was the cause of her outbreak yesterday afternoon. Miss Mitchell was prostrated and required

UNIONS WITHDRAW THE FINE RELATING TO TRANSIT CARS

ACTION TAKEN BY SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Painters, Plasterers, Plumbers, Carpenters, Stationary Engineers and Bricklayers.

Within the last two weeks the District Council of Painters, composed of five different unions; the Plasterers' Union, the Plumbers' Union and Carpenters' Union No. 73 have passed resolutions rescinding the fine.

The Stationary Engineers' Union has taken similar action, according to the statement of one of its members, and no fine is in force against riding on the transit cars in any of the bricklayers' unions. A member of the Bricklayers' Union said

yesterday: "We never passed any resolution rescinding the fine. Before the strike was delared off on July 2 a fine was imposed upon all union bricklayers who rode on the transit company's cars. When the strike was declared off on that date and the boycott lifted the rule fining members for riding was thereby rescinded. Since then the fine

nas not been restored." H. W. Steinbiss, national secretary of the Building Trades Council of America, said: "To continue the boycott and the fine is sheer nonsense now, because it imposes a greater hardship on union men than it inflicts injury on the transit company. In short, the whip intended to punish the other fellow is stinging us as hard as, if not harder than, it is him. By rescinding the fine or lifting the boycott, it must not be understood that organized labor recedes one inch from its position,
"It simply means that if a victory is to

be won it must be through other instru-mentalities than the fine and boycott. "The different unions can independently withdraw the fines, but they cannot remove the boycott that was placed by the central body and can be called off only by it." It is reported that several other unions are considering the advisability of withdrawing

RISKED LIFE TO SAVE HORSES.

Into Her Father's Barn.

A Brave Young Woman Rushes

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Branford, Conn., Aug. 14.-The story of a brave girl, who risked her life to save her father's horses, is being told to-day in Branford. Fighting flames till she fell beeath a shower of burning brands and timers, Maud Barker to-day saved the lives of her father's two dozen horses and oxen. he was sitting on the veranda of her home when a volume of smoke and flames sudlenly poured from the barn. She called to her younger brother, Jimmy, to telephone the town fire engine, while she dashed for the barn. Through the open doors the breeze fanned the slumbering blaze into a roaring flame. The suffocating smoke from the large haystacks formed a seemingly impassable barrier, but she fought her way to the stalls, choking and blinded. to the stalls, choking and blinded.

One by one she loosed the rearing and plunging animals, frantic with fright. The burning brands fell on their backs and they huddled together in the center of the barn till, one by one, they were led to the door by Miss Barker. The blazing rafters were by this time falling about the girl on all sides. Her dress had been ignited before she sank to the barn floor, made unconscious by the smoke which smothered her. Her father was nearing home after a trip to the village, when he saw his barn abiaze. He whipped his horse into a gallop, and, reaching the yard, found his little son shouting: "Maud's burned to death in the barn."

Barker dashed through the flames and stumbled over the unconscious body of his daughter. He lifted it into the open air and rolled her in blankets to extinguish the flames. She was restored to consciousness in a few minutes and carried into the house by neighbors who arrived just in time to easist in saviying her.

assist in reviving her.

She was weak to-night as a result of her struggles, but her burns will not prove fatal. She is 18 years old. Her father's barn was totally consumed by the flames. The firemen arrived just in time to prevent the spread of the flames to other buildings.

ATE POISONED CREAM.

Poplar Bluff Man and Family Be-

lieved to Be Dying. Poplar Bluff, Mo., Aug. 14.-John Griscom his wife and two children, are dying from poisoning, the result of eating ice cream flavored with a crude extract,

BELDEN DID NOT LOOK TWENTY-ONE.

Constable Schumacher Rescued Therefore Officials at Clayton and St. Louis Refused to Grant Him a Marriage License.

Officer Leaped From His Buggy, Promised to Visit All the Neighboring Gretna Greens, if Necessary-Miss Nellie Holt Was With Him.

> Albert W. Belden, a messenger, living at No. 808 South Jefferson avenue, and Miss Nellie Holt of East St. Louis made several attempts yesterday to get a marriage license, but were disappointed in each in-

They went first to Clayton, being attracted hither, they explained, by the atmosphere of romance which hovers about the But they found Mr. Wetzel, the marriage license clerk, hard hearted. Belden had only the faintest suspicion of a beard and his otherwise vouthful countenance caused the license purveyor to doubt his statement when he said he was 21 years old. The couple pleaded, but to no avail. They left Clayton, declaring that they

telleville, Alton and St. Charles, At the St. Louis office they had another set-back. Clerk Filley did not consider Belden of age. They then started out on the rest of the circuit, declaring that they had determined

would not give up, even if they had to go

to the marriage license offices in St. Louis,

to marry and would put their determination into execution, Miss Holt is petite and very pretty. Jerry Curtis, the confidential agent of Clayton eloping couples, in describing her, sald that she had a pair of "lustrous blue eyes that would penetrate the innermost recesses of

your soul."

"She was scarcely five feet tall," continued Jerry, "but she had the fairest complexion and the most angelic expression of any young woman that I have ever seen at this place. Then, her temper was sweet, for, instead of turning up aer nose at Mr. Wetzel when he refused her a license, she gave him a smile that would have melted any heart not made of adamant."

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There is no such number as 808 South Jefferson avenue, which Belden gave as his address. A messenger named Albert Belden formerly lived at No. 3227 Washington avenue, but he moved some months ago, and the family living there is ignorant of his present whereabouts.

SHE WORE A GOLDEN CAP.

An Old Woman Traveler Attracted Attention by Novel Headgear.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Kansas City, Aug. 14.-Many people at Union Station last night wondered if they were not looking upon royalty itself when they saw an old woman wearing a golden headpiece. But she was only a native of the Province of Friesland, Holland, who, in company with thirty-six other Mormons, was passing through Kansas City on the way neers and Bricklayers.

At a meeting of the United Leather Workers last night at Walhalla Hall the question of withdrawing the order imposing a fine upon members who ride upon transit cars was brought up for discussion. Information given out at the close of the meeting was very vague, but it is understood that action was taken. What was done, however, the members would not say.

Within the last two weeks the District was passing through Kansas City on the way to Utah, where they all expect to make their home. She was £2 years old and had on her head a golden cap which she wore was only the manifestation of an old carom in the Frevince of Friesland, Holland, which permits women to wear golden cap. In Holland a peculiar custom of dress lectrally Michos (for that is her name) fitted her head snugly and was plated with gold. Over the gold cap was nother lace cap and then over it all was worn her hat.

When she took off her hat the gold plated cap shone in the electric light and dazzled cap shone in the electric light and dazzled the eyes. She wore a black dress and was a little bent with age. She could not speak a word of English, but the interpreter said she was a Mormon and was on her way to Utah, where she might spend the rest of her days in peace and be among people of Utah, where she might spend the rest of her days in peace and be among peuple of her own faith. The colony of thirty-nine Mormons who had started on their way from Amsterdam, Holland, to Ogden, Utah, were all at the Adams Hotel last night. There were sixteen women, ten men and thirteen children in the colony, and they were accompanied by two Mormon missionaries, A. Wootton and A. Petterson, Johannes Alkema who could sneak a little sionanes, A. Wootton and A. Peterson. Johannes Alkema, who could speak a little English, was a strange character. He had been for years a sailor, and wore a sailor blouse and blue wool shirt. His grizzly beard and dark eyes made a landlubber have visions of pirates and daring captures at sea, as read in books. To see him walking down Union avenue, one would think that he considered the sidewalk to be unsteady or imagined that he was nacing the deck of a ship in an angry sea. Johannes, though, was a trusty and honest sailor, and had visited every foreign land of any importance in the world. He has been around the globe many times. He has now decided to go to Utah, where he may live among the Mormons, people of his own religious faith, but it is doubtful whether he can quell that born commercial instinct of the Hollander which prompts him to roam the seas. Johannes Alkema who could speak a littl the seas.

The colony started from Amsterdam August 2 on the ship New England.

LOG-ROLLING CELEBRATION.

Dockery and Flory Made Nonpolitical Speeches.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Brookfield, Mo., Aug. 14.-This has been gala day for Brookfield and Linn County. for not less than 10,000 visitors have attended the log-rolling of the Modern Woodmen. There have been bands galore, decoration and waving of flags and bunting.
The announcement that both Alexander M. Dockery and Joseph Flory would be present and make fraternal, and not political, speeches, as well as other distinguished Missourians, drew the multitude to the shady park.

shady park.
Charles W. Green, the chairman of the charles W. Green, the chairman of the day, called upon Doctor A. C. Pettijohn to welcome the vast assemblage to the city, which the doctor did gracefully. In addition, talks were made by George Berry, editor of the Ritual, of Kansas City; W. C. Irwin, candidate for Congress, and D. I. Thornton, the State Deputy of the Modern Woodmen order.

Thornton, the State Deputy of the Modern Woodmen order.

Mr. Dockery made a strong address upon the brotherhood of man, cemented by fraternal societies, and paid a beautiful compliment to the greatness of Missouri and Linn County and to Brookfield. Mr. Flory followed Mr. Dockery in a speech calculated to impress upon his auditors the benefit of fraternal orders.

The other features of the day's programme were a big parade and a log-rolling gramme were a big parade and a log-rolling

gramme were a big parade and a log-rolling contest by different camps in the county. A GIRL SUICIDE.

Preferred Giving Up Her Life to Separating From Sweetheart. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Aug. 14.—Bertha Koss, an honest, pretty girl, only 21 years of age, killed herself because her mother forbade her to marry, even to see, the man she loved, Frank Howard. Frank Howard.

Miss Koss was a Jewess. That young Howard was not of her faith was, in her mother's eyes, an inseparable obstacie to their union. To win his sweetheart, Howard offered to adopt her religion. Her mother could not be convinced of his sin

cerity.

On Saturday Mrs. Koss learned that Bertha, disobeying her, had been secretly meeting her lover. She bitterly reproached her daughter, who, weeping, retired to her bedreen taughter, who, weeping, retired to her bedroom. Sinday morning Bertha's elder brother, who had also opposed the match, was awakened by her groans and found her in her room suffering agony. She had poisoned herself with carbolic acid.

Her mother, plunged in grief, was willing to inform Howard of his bereavement and her own. But she knows only that he lives in this city, so she could not send the mournful news to him.

mournful news to him. Paul Martin Killed.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Rich Hill, Mo., Aug. 14.—Paul Martin, a miner in No. 14 mine, Central Coal and Coke Company, was killed last evening by failing slate. He had worked there thirteen years. He leaves a wife and three children.

DO NOT BELIEVE STREET IS DEAD.

Creditors Were Pressing for Settle ment of Claims While He Played the Races and Lost.

Special Telegram From Little Rock Gives New Theory in Disappearance of George M. Street-St. Louis Friends Hopeless.

No trace has been found by the police of George M. Street, the missing business man of Little Rock, Ark., who disappeared on August 8 from the Southern Hotel.

A diligent search is being made by the po lice, but Street's friends have almost aban doned all hope of seeing him alive again. He came to St. Louis on August 4 and registered at the Southern. He was last seen by Night Clerk Collins on August 8 While in this city he seemed worried about something, but did not take his friends into his confidence. From letters which were received by his relatives it is surmised that he had committed suicide. It developed later that he was in financial difficulties, and had lost heavily playing the races. According to a special dispatch from Little Rock, Street's disappearance is not taken seriously now by his friends at home. A majority of them are of opinion that it is due to his financial affairs, and that he has chosen to keep out of sight for a time. The telegram says:

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The telegram says:

"Prominent citizens of Little Rock, who were intimate friends of George M. Street, scout the idea that he has committed suicide, and it is now the general belief that he has left the country to evade his creditors. Several citizens declared that they saw Street on Markham street, this city, last Friday, the day after his threatening letters reached his wife and attorney, Jared Martin and L. W. Lowrey, who saw him, made statements to-day. Mr. Martin said:

"I was sitting in the office at the corner of Second and Center streets early Friday morning and heard General B. W. Green of Green & Cates, who has an office at the same place, telephone to Street's drug store and ask if he could see Street on an important business matter.

"Soon afterward I saw Street coming across from the post office, and knowing that General Green wished to see him, turned to tell him, but found that the General Has stepped out for a moment. Street passed on in front of the office and was met in front of Gleason's Hotel by Lowery. I am certain there is no mistake as to the identity of the man or the time. The business memoranda of General Green and others as to the matters in which they were interested will bear this out."

Lowery said: "I met Street in front of Gleason's Hotel about 10 o'clock last Friday morning, as he was coming from the direction of the post office, and after he had Gleason's Hotel about 19 o'clock last Friday morning, as he was coming from the direction of the post office, and after he had passed Green and Cates. I had been trying to write some insurance for him for some time and walked along the sidewalk for some distance discussing the matter with him. He said he was busy, but would talk to me this week. I am positive it was last Friday. There can be no possible mistake about it."

about it."

"An effort will be made to-morrow by the C. J. Lincoln Drug Company, one of Street's largest creditors, to have the probate proceeding naming his wife as administratrix of the estate set aside.

"A large number of creditors called at the office of Attorney Harrod and Judge Mills to-day and inquired as to the chances for getting their money. Judge Mills toid all to wait a few days for further developments. Several railroad men in Argenta made Street their banker and deposited, their carnings with him for the last year. These claims alone will run into the thousands."

NEW YORK'S BOAST.

Claims to Be the Mecca for

Merchants.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL New York, Aug. 14.-Disappointed because the Government census enumerators did no count 2,000,000 persons within its city limits Chicago is now seeking laurels in anothe direction. According to a dispatch received

direction. According to a dispatch received from there to-day, an army of 8,000 merchants has invaded that city for the purpose of buying fall and winter goods.

New York, the Mecca of buyers, has never welcomed within her gates such a vast army of merchants, and wonder was expressed that Chicago should make such a prepositations claim.

pressed that Chicago should make such a preposterous claim.

"Chicago might better be called the Dream City, instead of the Windy City," said John C. Eames, the secretary of the Merchants' Association of New York.

"There may be 1,000 buyers in Chicago at present," continued he, "but \$,000! why, it's ridiculous. How could Chicago take care of such a vast army of merchants? Where could they buy their goods? There are only a few big jobbing houses out there.

"When merchants have money to spend, and times are good, they come right to New York to make their purchases. They are sure of getting not only the latest styles, but also the best of everything."

There are now, in fact, more buyers in New York City than at this time in any styles, but also the best of everything."
There are now. In fnct, more buyers in
New York City than at this time in any
previous year. Their number, conservatively
estimated, is not less than 4,000, and the
fall rush has only just begun. From now
until September 1 they will continue to
pour into the city and eellpse all records
of 1899, which was New York's banner year
in this respect. of 1899, which was now in the city are prin cipally from Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and the Southern and Southwestern States, Reduced the company to the city are now in effective are now in the city are printed and in the city are not an effective and in the city are now in effective are not are not all the city are not are

rates from these points are now in effect and the trains and coast-line steamers are bringing them in at the rate of 300 a day. Hotels are crowded with them and whole-sale merchants are busier than they have ever been before.

One noteworthy fact is that the number

of buyers from foreign countries is also larger than during any previous year. Goods of American manufacture are becoming more and more popular abroad and in-stances are reported where it has been impossible to meet the demand for them.

I. J. COLEMAN'S NEW POSITION

Made General Manager of Wash ington Street Railways.

Jilson J. Coleman, formerly general man ager of the St. Louis Transit Company, has been appointed general manager of the street-car lines of the Washington Traction and Electric Company in Washington, D. C. and Electric Company in Washington, B. C.
Mr. Coleman served two years in St.
Louis, leaving here March 26, last. The
position he accepts in this city is one of
responsibility, the traction company having
absorbed and rebuilt all the lines in the
Washington district, excepting the one operated on Pennsylvania avenue and its
branches.

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Mr. Coleman came to St. Louis to take charge of the street railways controlled by the United Railways Company, being sent here by Brown Bros, of New York, Just before he came to St. Louis he had been the general manager of the street railways consolidation in Germantown, Pagand was the general manager of the street railways consolidation in Germantown, Pa., and previous to that he was manager of the street railways which were consolidated in Brooklyn, N. Y.

He was very popular with his employes while in St. Louis. He contributed much to the settlement of the strike which was threatened in March. On March 25, Mr. Coleman resigned and went to New York. His family consists of a wife, a daughter and two sons.

WRECKED TWO VANS AT ONCE. California Avenue Car Caused \$300 Damage-Man Hurt.

A California avenue car last night col-

section of Virginia avenue and Delore street. Both wagons were wrecked, and

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In 1899 Nebraska's grain crop exceeded 350 million bushels. All conditions at this date indicate as large a crop for 1900.

Frequent low-rate Home-seekers' excursions during the next few months to this great agricultural State. A new region opened—the North Platte extension to Guernsey, Wyoming.

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braska. Send for sample copy of the Burlington's monthly publication, "THE CORN BELT."

BITTER AGAINST HIS WIFE.

Bennett Remains in Jail Rather

Than Pay Alimony. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, Aug. 14.-Thomas Bennett, who has been a prisoner on Blackwell's Island for six months, has been ordered by Judge Fitzgerald in the Supreme Court to show cause why he should not pay his wife, Mary J. Bennett, alimony and counsel fees pending her suit for a separation. Being a prisoner on Blackweil's island, he will be unable to appear and defend the applica-

on. Bennett a few years ago was a power in Tammany politics, a prosperous contractor, and lived with his wife at No. 345 East Eighty-fifth street, in a handsome brownstone house, which he owned. Then a relative, a niece, appeared, and Bennett, though bitterly opposed by his wife, introduced her into his home and there she remained until Mrs. Bennett caused his arrest for abandonment. This was three years ago, and Bennett was committed to the Workhouse, having declared in court that he "would rot in iall before he would support his wife."

Henry Hart succeeded in obtaining Bennett's release, and he did not appear before the courts again until last February, when he was arraigned before Magistrate Hogan, and, upon his refusing to give a bond to pay his wife \$5 a week, he was committed to the Workhouse. The next heard of Bennett and his troubles was last month, when his home in East Eighty-fifth street was sold under foreclesure for \$3.50. This was the last piece of property out of a fortune. Bernett is very bitter against his wife and declares that he will spend the balance of his life in jail before he will give one cent to her. Tammany politics, a prosperous contractor and lived with his wife at No. 345 Eas

INTERSTATE REUNION.

Sixth Annual Gathering of Old Soldiers.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Nevada, Mo., Aug. 14.-The sixth annual old soldiers' interstate reunion at Lake Park Springs was formally opened here to-day. Mayor Sheldon A. Wight delivered the address of welcome, Judge Charles G. Burton responded. Both are veterans of the Union Army. To-morrow the Reverend Aaron D. States of Greenfield, Mo.; the Reverend States of Greenfield, Mo.; the Reverend Mr. Thompson of Appleton City and George Hull, candidate for State commander, will deliver addresses. The sixth convention of the Woman's Relief Cor:s for the Eighth District met here to-day, also. Mrs. Mary Hill introduced Mrs. Carrie Sparklin of St. Louis, president of Missouri; and also Mrs. Mary Birdseye, past department president. Mr. David Nixon made the welcoming address, to which Mrs. M. S. Gillson of Appleton City responded. This was followed by the annual address made by Mrs. Mary Hill, followed by reports from the various the annual address made by Mrs. Mary. Eill, followed by reports from the various local corps. Mrs. Lula Pitts of Eldorado Springs and Miss M. Bouliver of Liberal read excellent papers. The following officers; were elected: President, Mrs. Lula Pitts, Eldorado Springs; senior vice president, Miss S. Turpening, Moundville; junlor vice president, Mrs. Aima Pierson, Liberal; treasurer, Mrs. J. Sutton, Nevada; chaplain, Mrs. Mary Hill, Butler.

DELEGATES FEARED HANNA.

Webster Davis Tells His Experience at Philadelphia.

Wheeling, W. Va., Aug. 14.-Webster Davis of Missouri, late Assistant Secretary of the Interior, whose change to the Democracy was a feature of the Kansas City convention, opened the Democratic cam-paign to-night at Wheeling Park before 1, paign to-night at wheeling Park before L-coopersons. His speech was largely devoted to a culogy of the Boers and their struggle for independence, and he claimed that there exists a secret understanding between Great Britain and the United States, which prevented the Boer envoys from accom-plishing anything during their recent visit. Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Am-bassador, he said, was sitting in an adjoin-ing room when the Boer envoys were re-ceived by Secretary Hay and heard every word that was said.

He said he went to Philadelphia to have an indorsement of the Boers put in the Republican platform, and he approached 300 delegates, but the general reply was: "I don't believe Mr. Hanna would want anything like that in the platform."

Very little of the speech was devoted to the issues of the campaign. He bitterly resented press aspersions upon the motives that induced his change of party.

MRS. BLAMEUSER RELEASED.

Youthful Husband Accused Her of Insanity.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Chicago, Aug. 14.-Josephine, the wife of Benjamin Blameuser, was released from the detention hospital yesterday afternoon after four days passed among the Insane. She says if she had stayed there four days longer she would have been actually in-

longer she would have been actually insane.

Blameuser a year ago married Josephine
Gerbel, 19 years old, nine years his junior.
They quarreled Thursday. Blameuser took
out an insanity warrant before Judge Carter, alleging that his wife was mentally
unsound. She was sent to the detention
hospital. Doctor Hunter of the hospital
decided soon after she was placed there
that Mrs. Blameuser was not insane. The
husband was induced to withdraw the insanity charge on condition that she go to
her mother's house. He alleges that she is
excitable and subject to terrible spells of
"temper." 'temper. The ease with which Blameuser had his wife sent to an asylum startles Chicaga.

OPENING GUN IN OHIO.

Democrats Will Fire It Between September 13 and 20.

Columbus, O., Aug. 14.-The Democratic State Executive Committee this afternoon decided to have the formal opening of the campaign in Ohio take place in this city campaign in Ohio take place in this city some day between September 13 and 29. It was given out that the committee had a lively hope of securing Mr. Bryan and former Senator D. B. Hill for the opening meeting in Columbus.

Harry Wilson of Cleveland, however, has arranged to have Mr. Bryan in that city on Labor Day, September 3, and the hope of the State Committee man not be realized.

ASTOR ESTATE TRANSFER. From Margaret L. Zborowski to

Arthur Astor Carey.

lided with two furniture vans at the inter-New York, Aug. 14.-Margaret L. Zborowski transferred to her brother, Arthur Astor Carey, to-day a large interest in the the furniture in them was damaged to the extent of \$300. Leo Stahl of No. 4215 Vista avenue, the owner and driver of one of the wagons, was thrown from his seat, and his left hip was crushed. John H. Wolf of No. 412 Manchester avenue, the driver of the other wagon, escaped injury. The car, No. 2009 was in charge of Conductor R. F. Beasley and Motorman T. M. Grady, both of whom live at No. 5002 Manchester avenue.

SIX CASES AGAINST PEYTON. Iowa Officers Trying to Werk Up a

Murder Charge. Frank Peyton, the confessed burglar, was transferred from the holdover to the jail

yesterday afternoon. He will be held to answer four charges of burglary and two of

swer four charges of burglary and two of burglary and larceny.

It is probable that he will never be tried on any of the burgiary charges, as it is expected that he will be returned to Sloux City, Ia., in connection with the murder of John E. Robson, committed there December 23, 1839. The Sloux City officers are busy trying to work up evidence against him in Iowa, and are endeavoring to connect with him Kittle McCrill, from whom he received a note a few days after the Robson murder. The McCrill woman is supposed to be in Des Moines.

"We made but little progress yesterday in our investigation of Peyton's Sloux City doings," said Lieutenant Johnson, who is the acting Captain of the Central District. "He seems willing enough to talk about any of his multitudinous burglaries, but will not say a word about the Robson case, and when he is induced to discuss it he endeavors now to shift the responsibility on his former pal, "Billy Mason."

The police think that they have Mason located, and if he is captured the two will be brought face to face and cross-questioned concerning their Sloux City operations.

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COWBOYS IN CINCINNATI.

Rough Riders With Horses Raised Like Sheep on the Plains.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Cincinnati, O., Aug. 14.-The presence of two typical Western cowboys in the lobby of the Dennison House last night attracted the attention of the other guests by their picturesque costumes, bronzed faces and free, but graceful, manners. They were Edward Hulick and Edward Easterbrook of Baker City, Ore., and arrived in Cincinnati yester-day morning with 27% wild and branded horses for H. W. Dunn of Wheatland, Wyo., who will dispose of the animals here during the Carthage Fair, that opens to-day.

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"We trailed the horses from Oregon to Montana," said Hullek to a Commercial Tribune reporter, "and then shipped them by train to this city. How did we manage to keep them together over the mountsins? Well, when they are in a strange country they will follow one after the other along the most narrow trail. These horses are raised right on the piains, but they are in no sense bronchos, being fairly well-bred and capable of being made useful animals. Why do we well these leather suffa? When Why do we we'll these leather suffs? When we are handling the horses they are useful to wrap a line around, without hurting the wrist, and in branding they protect the arm from the hot irons."

Easterbrook is the rider of the two, and it has been proposed by Director Frank Fox of the fair association that he shall give an exhibition of real rough riding during the week on one of the wildest horses to be found in the lot. Why do we west th

found in the lot.

OFFICER A SUICIDE. Marshal John Purdy Shot Himself

When Arrested. Lafayette, Ind., Aug. 14.-John Purdy. Marshal of Boswell, Benton County, shot himself this afteracen, the bullet entering an inch and a laif above the heart. He had just been arrested on the street by an officer from Fowler on a charge of seduc-

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Nashville, Ill., Aug. 14.—Congressman W.

A. Rodenberg has appointed Oscar Rabenneck a cadet to the Annapolis Naval School from this (the Twenty-first) Congressional District. There were fifteen applicants.

This is the second young man to be appointed to the navy school. The other is Charles S. Forman, now Second Lieutenant on the battleship Brooklyn. He served as Ensign on the same ship during the Spanish-American War.

Sunday School Workers Meet.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL
Bloomington, Ill., Aug. 14.—The annual
County Sunday School Convention of Taseewell County opened here this evening and
will close to-morrow night. The attendance is unusually large including many
from adjacent counties.
After a song service by George Watson
of Peoria, S. S. Tanner, delivered the address of welcome to which W. P. Mavity
of Pekin responded. O. L. Smith of Mackinaw delivered an address on "The Ideal
Sunday School."

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fer for a week. At the best this sufering interferes with household activities and social enjoyments. At the worst it shuts the woman in a darkened room or confines her to bed. Most women can be complete ly cured of irregularity by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It regulates the periods, stops en feebling drains and cures female

"All praise is due to you for your wonder-ful 'Favorite Prescription,' "writes Mr. John W. Coffman, Ellisburg, Casey Co., Ky. "My wife suffered with female irregularity; was confined to bed every three weeks. After using two bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription was cured, and has not suf-fered any derangement since. Your 'Pa-vorite Prescription' is a boon for delicate women."

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